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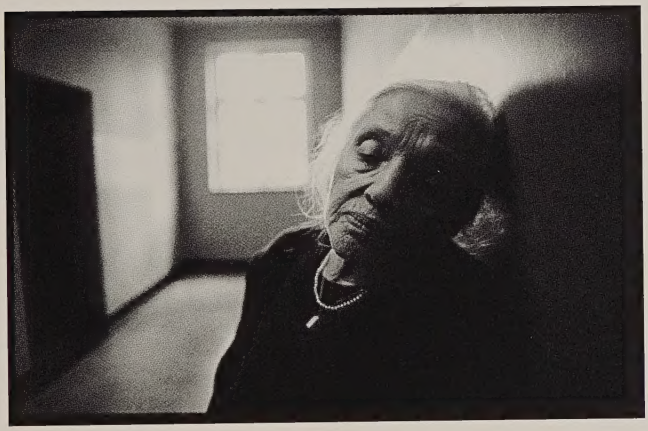
POLAND IS A PLACE THAT FLOATS IN MY MIND...

...LIKE A FITFUL DREAM ON A STEAMY NIGHT. AS A CHILD I WAS INTRODUCED TO THIS MELANCHOLY LAND THROUGH THE FILTER OF MY PARENT'S HOLOCAUST EXPERIENCES. THIS WAS A WORLD I CRAVED TO KNOW BUT COULD NEVER REALLY SEE. IN 1993 I JOINED MY MOTHER ON HER FIRST VISIT TO POLAND IN FORTY-SIX YEARS. AS SHE TRACED HER PRIVATE HISTORY, VISITING THE SITES OF HER PAST, I PHOTOGRAPHED MY MOTHER'S CLOSURE.



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OZ STARE MIASTO

THIS JOURNEY BACK IN TIME PLACED ME AT THE EDGE OF A MOVING CIRCLE, WATCHING BUT NEVER QUITE REACHING THE CENTER. OFFERED HERE ARE THE IN-BETWEENS FROM THAT VOYAGE, GLIMPSES OF MODERN POLAND THAT NUDGED ME INTO THAT GRAY, HALF-ASLEEP DREAM: A CHILD'S WHISPERS OR THE HURRIED FOOTSTEPS OF AN OLD WOMAN, SUSPICIOUS GLANCES FROM INSIDE A DOORWAY. HAVE I BEEN HERE BEFORE? I THINK SO.

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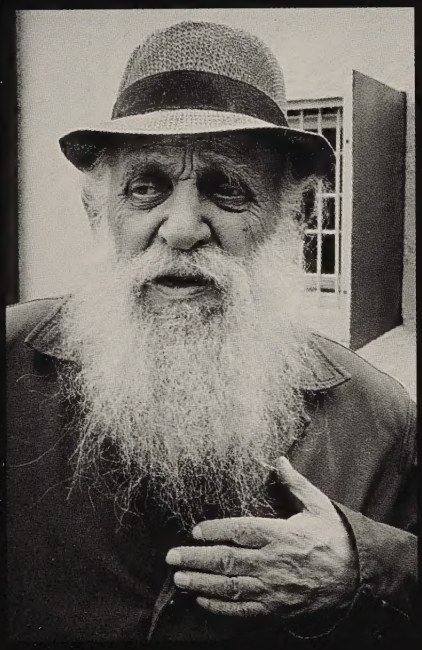

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